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Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is the primary agency charged with the mission of managing and safeguarding the State's fish and wildlife resources; and

Whereas, the department cannot effectively carry out its mission without clear guidance from the Legislature as manifested in the Maine Revised Statutes; and

Whereas, this legislation makes important changes to the laws that govern the department's activities and need to take effect immediately to ensure the department has proper legislative guidance in continuing to carry out its mission; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and an emergency clause to the bill, making it effective upon approval.